# Carlisle Trails Committee Meeting Minutes May 3, 2019 Alan Ankers, Secretary

Attendance: Alan Ankers, Henry Cox, Louise Hara, Roy Herold, Marc Lamere, Warren Spence,

Steve Tobin, Jonathan DeKock

Guests: Sylvia Willard, Bert Willard, Adam Selig, Kelly Guarino, Desiree Ball, Bob Goldsmith,

Junko Kato, Chris Andrews, Kim Selig

## **Documents Presented:**

Woodward Lots 1 and 2 – Map with trails; Aerial view; staking plan.

## **Old Business:**

## **Meeting Minutes:**

The minutes from the April 5 meeting were approved as amended.

## **CPA Funding:**

Steve reported that the CPC funding request was approved by Town Meeting.

## Trail Signs:

Steve reported that he had received the latest batch of 24 painted signs from the school. 13 remain to be completed next year.

## **Permitting Process:**

Steve reported that he had presented a number of scenarios to ConsCom at their April 11 meeting:

- Repairing (replacing sections of) boardwalks
- Installing "duckboards," less than three feet wide, with no concrete bumper foundations
- Test installation of anti-slip surfaces on boardwalks
- Extension of the recently completed Rodgers Road boardwalks, by about 40 feet

ConsCom agreed that all of these activities could be carried out without the need for a wetlands filing.

## **Banta-Davis Trail:**

The relocated trail was completed on April 7 by Warren, Steve, Henry, Roy, Jonathan and Alan.

# **Community Trails Day:**

Steve reported that there were a few walks still unclaimed, at which a few more signed up to lead walks.

#### **Slick Boardwalk Solutions:**

Adam Selig reported that he and his father, Ted, had done part of the test installation on the boardwalk at Twin Peaks, and were planning to complete the installation as part of the upcoming work day.

# **Woodward Village Trails:**

Kelly Guarino (an abutter and CCF board member) gave an outline of the issues relating to new trails on the Town-owned portions of land alongside Maple St. Lots 1 and 2 are now owned by the Town and licensed for agriculture to Desiree Ball. The existing fences did not follow the lot lines, since adjacent lots were previously under the same ownership. Fences need to be moved to allow goats to be grazed in the fields, but the exact location may be affected by the locations chosen for new trails. Kelly and Desiree requested Trails Committee help in planning trail locations and installing the fences at suitable locations. The Committee noted that plans had been deferred until the adjacent (Woodward-Doutriaux) land also came under Town ownership. A site visit was scheduled for Monday May 6, to review field conditions and potential trail locations.

#### **Russell Street Trails:**

Marc reported that he had checked conditions during a wet period, and there is a length of about 180 feet that will need to be dealt with, part of which could potentially be duckboards. He will follow up with Gary Davis regarding access from the road. A site visit was scheduled for Monday May 13, for the rest of the Committee to review conditions.

### **Finance:**

Marc reported the various account balances as follows:

•	Trail Maps Account	\$7,619.80
•	Trail Grant Account	\$583.07
•	Trail Gift Account	\$2,077.34
•	Trails CPA Account	\$701.87

## **New Business:**

#### Vernal Pool Walk:

Steve reported that about 15 people had attended Bryan Windmiller's vernal pool walk, which was excellent as always.

#### **Plan Future Activities:**

Volunteer work day on Sunday May 5.

### **Deer Committee:**

Steve reported that he was resigning from the Deer Committee, and the Board of Selectmen would like continued representation from the Trails Committee. Jonathan volunteered to fill that role.

### **Recent Trail Work:**

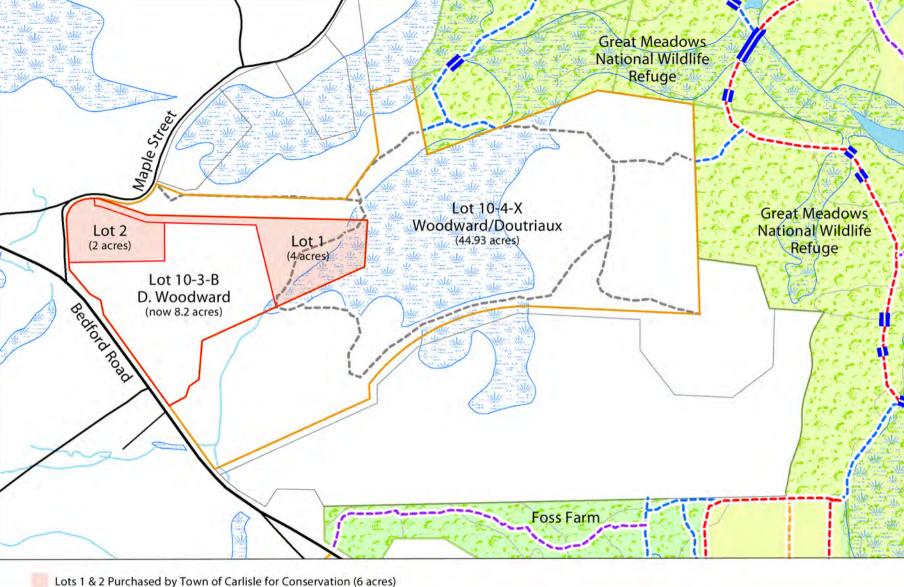
Steve cleared trees from Marion's trail, Malcolm Meadows and Holmes-Avery. Warren cleared some downed trees in the Town Forest, Banta-Davis and Bisbee. Roy cleared trees from the Redtail and Pines trails.

### **Membership:**

Steve and Alan's terms are expiring; both agreed to have their membership renewed.

# **Schedule Next Meeting:**

The next meeting was scheduled for May 31.



Lots 1 & 2 Purchased by Town of Carlisle for Conservation (6 acres)

Map of portion of Carlisle west of intersection of Maple Street and Bedford Road showing original David Woodward Lot (Lot 10-3-B), 2 Right-of-First-Refusal lots (Lots 1 & 2) purchased by the Town of Carlisle, and surrounding Woodward/Doutriaux lot (Lot 10-4-X). Gray dotted lines are proposed additions to the extensive Trails system in Great Meadows National Wildlife Refuge, Foss Farm, and beyond.

